

House Resolution No. 359

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge the achievements and milestone events that occur in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have admirably dedicated themselves to serving others; and

Whereas, Darlene Harrison is the winner of a prestigious 2002 Missouri Park and Recreation Association Retirement Service Award which will be presented to her at an evening conference banquet to be held on Thursday, March 7, 2002, in Branson, Missouri; and

Whereas, retired since 2000 from the city of Hazelwood as head of the Parks and Recreation Division, Darlene Harrison has been an active member of the Missouri Park and Recreation Association, for which she has chaired committees, served as State Conference Chair, and worked on the Executive Board; and

Whereas, a charter member of the Recreation Council of Greater St. Louis, Darlene Harrison served as President of that illustrious organization in addition to her diverse labors with the Board of the St. Charles County Land Trust, Dardenne Creek Corridor Project, and the St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Task Force for the County's "Masterplan 2010" process; and

Whereas, highly instrumental in the development of community parks and recreation, Darlene Harrison enjoys a stellar reputation as an appointed current member of the St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, which she chaired in 1999; member of the Park Board of Lake St. Louis since 1987; and former member of the Park Board of the City of Bridgeton, which she served from 1976 to 1981; and

Whereas, Darlene Harrison is the loving wife of Ron, the beloved mother of two adult children, and the devoted grandmother of two wonderful children, all of whom are justifiably proud of her continued willingness to volunteer wherever her boundless energy, wide-ranging knowledge, and prodigious skills are needed in local communities and neighborhoods:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the selection of Darlene Harrison as the 2002 Missouri Park and Recreation Association Retirement Service Award recipient and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes for her lifelong commitment to education as a park and recreation professional; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Darlene Harrison of St. Charles County, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Jon Dolan
District No. 13

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 359, adopted February 21, 2002.

Jim Kreider, Speaker

